

[0018] FIG. 4 is a detailed view of the elastic line in conjunction with a support arch [[in the Preferred Embodiment of the invention]] with the cover shown in its partially raised position, bunched up under the elastic line.

Please amend paragraph [0026] to read as follows:

[0026] The Preferred Embodiment also includes means for delivering mist 32 to the plants 2 within the protective enclosure 1. This is done by attaching a misting nozzle 30 to the underside of one or more of the arches 4. This is shown in FIG. [[8]] 4, which also shows how the cover 3 can be lifted into a stable raised configuration bunched between one of the supports 4 and the associated hold-down 5.

IN THE DRAWINGS:

Please substitute the enclosed sheet containing FIG. 6 and FIG. 7 for the existing sheet containing FIG. 6 and FIG. 7.

IN THE CLAIMS:

The following list contains all of the claims including amended claims, unamended claims, and new claims. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(c) please substitute each amended claim for the originally filed claim with the same number, and add the new claims.

1. (currently amended) A protective enclosure for a row of garden plants sewn in the soil out-of-doors, said enclosure comprising:
a plurality of semi-circular arches for spanning and extending along said row in a plurality of arch positions, each of said arches having a first arch end and a second arch end,

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a cover, wherein said cover has a cover inside and a cover outside and a first edge and a second edge, [[and]] wherein said cover is drapable over said [[plurality of]] arches with said cover inside facing said plants,

a plurality of hold-downs each of said hold-downs having a first hold-down end and a second hold-down end and said each of said hold-downs being extendable [[down]] over said cover outside at [[one]] each of said arches [[positions]] so as to [[that said hold-down]] hold[[s]] said cover [[firmly]] on said arches without being affixed to said cover.

2. (original) The enclosure described in Claim 1, wherein said first arch end is insertable into said soil on a left side of said row and said second arch end is insertable into said soil on a right side of said row.

[[3.]]4. (currently amended) The enclosure described in Claim [[2]]3, wherein said hold-downs are made of elastic material and of such a length that said hold-downs [[are under tension when in use in said enclosure]] must be stretched in order to extend between said first arch end and said second arch end while passing over said cover.

[[4.]]3. (currently amended) The enclosure described in Claim [[3]]2 adapted so that said first hold-down end is to be anchored near said first arch end and said second hold-down end is to be anchored near said second arch end.

5. (unchanged) The enclosure described in Claim 4, wherein both said first hold-down end and said second hold-down end are adapted to be anchored on said arch.

6. (unchanged) The enclosure described in Claim 5 wherein said cover includes a base shield and two ventilation panels such that when said cover is in place portions of said base shield can be bunched up between said hold-downs and said arches thereby exposing said ventilation panels.

7. (new) A kit for providing protection for garden plants sewn in a row out-of-doors, said kit comprising:

a plurality of semi-circular arches, each arch having a convex side, a concave side, a first arch end and a second arch end wherein said arch has a groove on said convex side, said groove extending uniformly from said first arch end to said second arch end, said arches being designed to be stuck in soil at intervals along said row so as to span all of said plants,

a cover drapable over said arches so as to enclose said plants, said cover having a first side-edge, a second side-edge, a first end edge, and a second end-edge, and an outer cover surface and an inner cover surface,

a plurality of elastic hold-downs of such length that each of said hold-downs must be stretched to be connected between said first arch end and said second arch end while passing over said cover surface while said cover is draped over said arches.

8. (new) The kit described in Claim 7 wherein said cover comprises two detached sheets of substantially equal size, and wherein each of said sheets can be placed over said arches by itself independently of or in combination with other of said sheets.

9. (new) The kit described in Claim 8 wherein said sheets are of different weights and transparencies.

10. (new) The kit described in Claim 8 wherein a first of said sheets is substantially impermeable to air flow and a second of said sheets is substantially permeable to air flow.

11. (new) The kit described in Claim 7 wherein said cover is made up of a base sheet and a supplementary sheet, wherein one side of said supplementary sheet is affixed to said base sheet along a line parallel to said first side-edge, such that a second side of said supplementary sheet substantially coincides with said first side-edge when said cover is draped over said arches.